# City of Hayward General Plan Task Force

January 10, 2013

Meeting #4: Economic Development





# Outline/Agenda

- I. Introductions
- II. Presentation
- III. Group Discussion

#### Objectives:

- Identify Assets, Challenges, & Opportunities
- Compare ED Element with ED Strategic Plan
- Ideas for Economic Development
- IV. Public Comments
- V. Review Additional Meetings

# Introductions





# City Staff

- David Rizk, Development Services Director
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- Richard Patenaude, Planning Manager
- Erik Pearson, Senior Planner, GPU Project Manager
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- Jason Jones, Jones Planning and Design



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- Ryan Fernandez
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# Comments/Approval of Summary Notes from Meeting # 3



# Economic Development: Existing Conditions and Policy/Regulatory Framework





# **Existing Policies and Programs**

- State General Plan Guidelines for Economic Development Elements
- Overview of Current Economic Development Element of the General Plan
- Overview of Existing Programs
- Overview of Draft Economic Development Strategic Plan



#### California Guidelines for ED Element

#### Possible Topics:

- Business Retention and Development by Sector
- Employment Development
- Business Recruitment
- Fiscal Stability
- Budgetary Structure



# **Existing ED Element Policies**

- 1. Balance need for development with other goals
- Attract investment, increase tax base, generate public revenues
- 3. Facilitate development of employment opportunities for residents
- 4. Enhance the City's image
- Attract New Businesses
- 6. Retain Existing Businesses



# Existing Economic Development Programs

- Shop Hayward
- Business Recognition Awards
- Restaurant Walks
- Downtown Business Improvement Area (BIA)
- Business Visitation Program
- Events (movies & concerts on plaza, street parties, Off the Grid, festivals, etc.)



- Currently being prepared
- Scheduled to be adopted by Council in March 2013



#### **Draft Vision**

The City of Hayward is recognized as the most desirable and business-friendly place in the East Bay in which to locate and conduct business.



#### Draft Mission Statement - We will achieve our vision by:

- Ensuring efficient and certain business permitting processes;
- 2. Creating and sustaining a safe, clean, green, and fiscally sound business environment that benefits residents, businesses, and the region;
- Promoting Hayward for its central location, prime business sites, great climate, and excellent transportation, water, and public safety services; as well as for other strengths such as its international community, civic participation, and history, which distinguish Hayward from other municipalities;
- 4. Actively recruiting new businesses and supporting emerging sectors like biotech industries and food processing businesses; and
- Partnering with businesses and community agencies in Hayward, including higher learning institutions and especially the local school district, to foster a skilled and educated local workforce.



#### Three Strategic Focus Areas

- #1 Branding and Marketing
- #2 Industrial Sector
- #3 Service/Retail Sector
- **Industrial Opportunity Sites**
- **Retail Catalyst Sites**



### EDSP – Focus Area 1: Branding & Marketing Goals

- Identify and develop a brand that showcases Hayward's strengths
- Develop and execute a comprehensive marketing B. program
- Strengthen and expand events and opportunities for community members, businesses, and visitors to engage with Hayward businesses



#### EDSP – Focus Area 2: Industrial Sector Goals

- Support existing business, especially in the area of safety
- Recruit and secure new businesses in priority locations/industries that are a good fit for Hayward
- Maintain and expand the public infrastructure that businesses need to thrive
- G. Create proactive, site-specific land use policies that clearly convey information to potential businesses
- Ensure a timely and predictable permit process Η.
- Improve Hayward's education-to-job bridge through an active community partnership

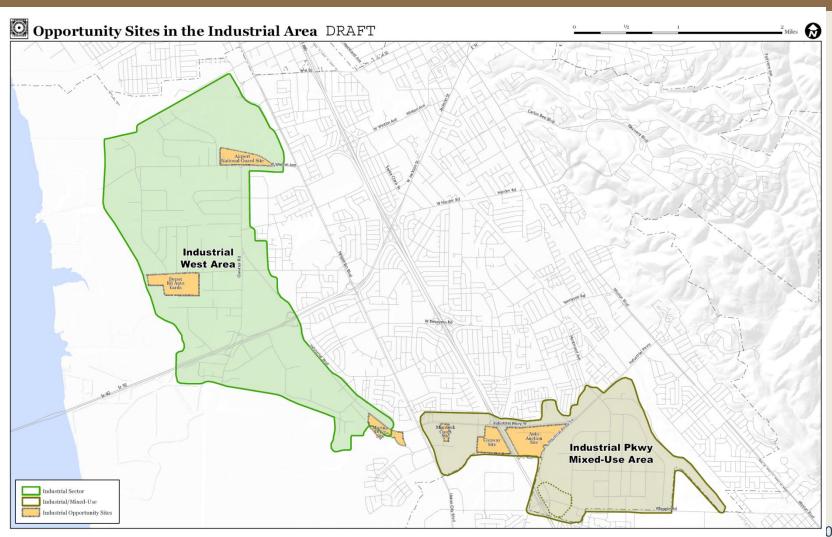


#### EDSP – Focus Area 3: Retail & Service Sector Goals

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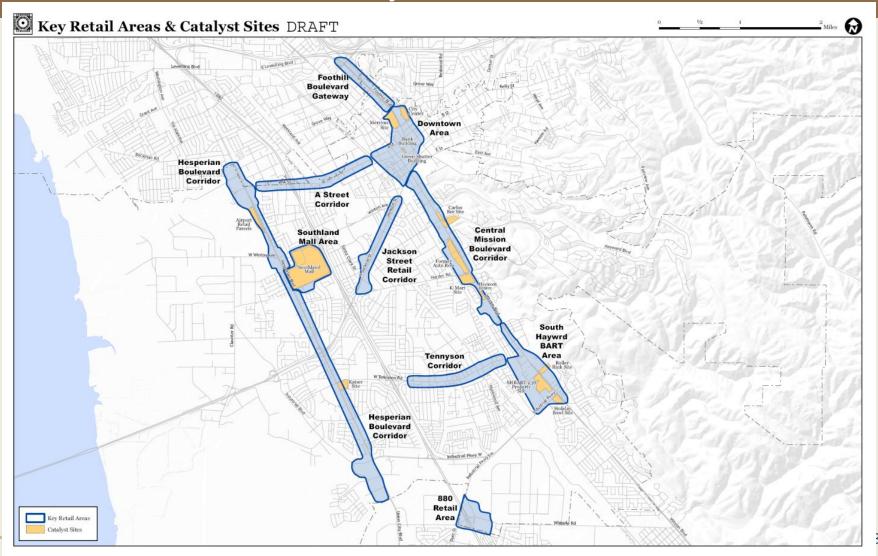


# EDSP – Industrial Opportunity Sites





# EDSP – Retail Catalyst Sites





- Assets, Challenges, and Opportunities related to **Economic Development**
- Identify potential Policies and Strategies for the **Economic Development element**



#### Assets identified during workshops:

- **Parks**
- **Historic Buildings**
- Farmer's Market
- Festivals, Music, Arts, Cinema
- **High Quality Water**
- Industrial Area, Existing Manufacturers
- Location
- Downtown layout has a lot of potential



#### Challenges identified during workshops:

- **Too Many Vacant Buildings**
- **HUSD Schools**
- Image/Reputation
- City Permitting/Licensing
- **Traffic**
- Need More Shopping & Nightlife Downtown
- Need Hotel & Conference Center



#### Opportunities identified during workshops:

- New library downtown
- CSUEB & Chabot College
- Create an entertainment zone downtown
- Huge opportunities to appeal high tech industry
- Location in Bay Area is ideal for business growth
- Convert empty buildings to entertainment places for youth and families
- more family-friendly cafes
- Location!, location!, location!
- Empty spaces





- Other assets, challenges, and opportunities related to Economic Development?
- Ideas to address Assets, Challenges, and **Opportunities**
- **Identify Potential Policies and Strategies**

# Public Comment Period



# Review List of January Meetings

# Adjournment